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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior

ACTION: Notice of Decision Approving Lands for Conveyance

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that an appealable decision will be issued by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), approving conveyance of the surface estate in the lands described below to NANA Regional Corporation, Inc., Successor in Interest to Deering Ipnatchiak Corporation, and Katyaak Corporation, pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA). The subsurface estate in these lands will be conveyed to NANA Regional Corporation, Inc., when the surface estate is conveyed to NANA Regional Corporation, Inc., as Successor in Interest to Deering Ipnatchiak Corporation, and Katyaak Corporation.

DATES: Any party claiming a property interest in the lands affected by the decision may appeal the decision in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4. Please see the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" section for the time limits for appealing the decision.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, AK 99513-7504.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: The BLM by phone at

907-271-5960 or by email at blm_ak_akso_public_room@blm.gov. Persons who use a

Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay

Service (FIRS) at 1 800-877-8339 to contact the BLM during normal business hours. In

addition, the FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or

question with the BLM. The BLM will reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is

hereby given that an appealable decision will be issued by the BLM to NANA Regional

Corporation, Inc., Successor in Interest to Deering Ipnatchiak Corporation, and Katyaak

Corporation. The decision approves the surface estate in the lands described below for

conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601,

et.seq.). The subsurface estate in these lands will be conveyed to NANA Regional

Corporation, Inc., when the surface estate is conveyed to NANA Regional Corporation,

Inc., Successor in Interest to Deering Ipnatchiak Corporation, and Katyaak Corporation.

Deering Ipnatchiak Corporation, and Katyaak Corporation were the original ANCSA

corporations for the villages of Deering and Kiana, and merged with NANA Regional

Corporation, Inc. in 1976 under the authority of Public Law 94-204.

The lands are located in the vicinity of Deering and Kiana, Alaska and are described as:

Kateel River Meridian, Alaska

T. 18 N., R. 9 W.,

Sec. 21.

Containing 640 acres.

T. 6 N., R. 17 W.,

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Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive.

Containing 22,923.84 acres.

T. 7 N., R. 18 W.,

Secs. 16 to 36, inclusive.

Containing 13,319.47 acres.

Aggregating 36,883.31 acres.

Notice of the decision will also be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in

the Arctic Sounder.

Any party claiming a property interest in the lands affected by the decision may appeal

the decision in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4 within the following

time limits:

1. Unknown parties, parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been

expended to locate, parties who fail or refuse to sign their return receipt, and parties who

receive a copy of the decision by regular mail which is not certified, return receipt

requested, shall have until [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF

PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from

the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4

shall be deemed to have waived their rights. Notices of appeal transmitted by electronic

means, such as facsimile or email, will not be accepted as timely filed.

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